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AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 CFR §1.312

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Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Notice of Allowance dated July 5, 2006 and two supplemental Examiner Amendments dated July 24, 2006 and August 23, 2006, respectively, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

The "Amendments to the Claims" section begins on page 2 of this paper and lists the current version of the claims.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.